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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROVIDES LOW INTEREST LOAN AND GRANT FUNDS TO SALT CREEK RURAL ROAD ORGANIZATION

In a Certificate of Recognition ceremony on November 16, 2010, Steven Gerrish, Area Specialist for USDA Rural Development announced the award of \$54,250 in grant funds and \$55,750 in low interest loan funds to the Salt Creek Rural Road Organization. Funds were used to purchase a very good used road grader for Salt Creek Township, a service area of 182 residents. The assistance consists of a Community Facilities Loan and Grant from USDA, Rural Development regular allocations. Additionally, the Salt Creek Township contributed \$5,000 and their used grader towards the purchase of the newer road grader.

"I am pleased to hear that the Salt Creek Rural Road Organization has been able to purchase a road grader for the Salt Creek Township," U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill said. "Thanks to competitive funds awarded by the USDA, this newer road grader will help ensure that the Township's roads are properly improved and maintained."

Salt Creek Rural Road Organization Board of Directors stated, "We would like to thank USDA for their grant and low interest loan assistance to help us purchase a newer road grader. Without this assistance we could not have purchased this newer equipment. This newer grader will allow us to keep our roads safe and passable." Additionally the board stated, "We greatly appreciate all the help USDA provided with the assistance and application processing."

"This is a great partnership effort when everyone works together for funding the purchase of a newer road grader to help with the maintenance of the roads throughout the township," said Missouri State Director Janie Dunning. "This project mirrors USDA Rural Development's mission of being committed to the future of rural communities. I want to personally thank everyone that has worked together to make this project a reality. Special thanks are extended to our federal elected officials for making available the federal funds for these kinds of projects."

Anyone seeking more information about the Community Facility program or any other USDA Rural Development programs may visit the homepage at <http://www.rurdev.gov/mo> or by contacting the Moberly Office at 2995 County Road 1325, Moberly, MO 65270 or by calling (660) 263-7400 - ext 4.

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